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FOR THE PRESIDENT FROM THE SECRETARY

QUOTE

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

THANKS FOR YOUR MESSAGE. I HOPE YOU WILL STICK TO THE AUGUST 27 DATE WITH DEGAULLE SINCE COUVE DE MURVILLE ASSURES ME THIS CAN BE CONVENIENTLY ARRANGED. IT ALSO GIVES A PLAUSIBLE EXCUSE FOR DEGAULLE'S NOT GOING TO LONDON SINCE HE WOULD GO TO ALGERIA IMMEDIATELY AFTER YOUR DEPARTURE.

THE TIMING OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE KHRUSHCHEV VISIT AS WELL AS ITS RECEPTION HAVE EASED GREATLY OUR PROBLEM OF RECESSING HERE. IN ATTEMPTING TO DRAFT THE COMMUNIQUE LAST NIGHT, OUR GREATEST DIFFICULTY WAS IN TRYING TO KEEP GROMYKO FROM INJECTING TOO OPTIMISTIC PHRASEOLOGY WITH RESPECT TO THE PROGRESS ACHIEVED HERE.

I AM LOOKING FORWARD GREATLY TO SEEING YOU TOMORROW AFTERNOON.

FAITHFULLY, SIGNED: CHRIS.

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